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## Election/Restrictions

The amendment filed on 12/12/05 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03).

The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because claims 22-35 are directed to a new, different, distinct invention than the priorly examined claims. Applicant's Remarks dated 12/12/05 describe, in regards to claim 22, an apparatus for managing the state of presentation of information. Claim 29 is directed towards confirming the validity of the received state of presentation. The original claims are not directed towards any state of presentation.

Also, there is no support in the specification concerning any 'presentation state' or any 'state of presentation' or any 'state' at all.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Arthur Duran whose telephone number is (571) 272-6718. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon- Fri, 8:00-4:00.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eric Stamber can be reached on (571) 272-6724. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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